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By TOM ALLISON Staff Writer

Ye be warned pirates, the high seas of file-sharing are troubled

waters.

"They know who's doing it. They know the student's address, ISP number, what they've downloaded and when," Joe Haynes, director of infrastructure services said Monday.

He was referring to groups like the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA), whose crackdowns on pirating of copyrighted material continue to affect students at the University

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Sony, Warner Brothers, and the RIAA have been issuing letters of complaint to Haynes for the last few years, with detailed information about the computers that have pirated and continue to share copyrighted material. The letters also demand the student's full name, phone number and social security number.

Last month, the RIAA announced a new wave of copyright infringement lawsuits against 753 illegal file sharers, including individual network users at 11 different colleges. The targeted schools spread across the country, from Old Dominion University to Hamilton College to the University of Southern California.

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The Oxford English Dictionary defines piracy as

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Plan Aims To Close Faculty-Student Gap

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By DOREEN CIAVARELLI

A new plan to decrease the student faculty A new plan to decrease the student faculty ratio from 17-to-1 to 15-to-1 will add 14 new faculty positions and create approximately 46 new course section offerings for next fall. The plan, dubbed the 15-to-1 plan will add 40 new faculty positions for the University over the next four years.

Rosemary Barra, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty said the purpose of this \$2+million plan, estimated to be completed in fiscal year 2009-2010 is to alleviate over-crowding in popular classess.

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es and the overenrollment situation that we have in certain classes," Barra said. "But I think in some departments you'll also end up with the developments of some developments of some new additional classes, oncs that would work towards the major upper-level courses that have not been previously offered."

According to John Morello, associate vice president for academic affairs, the plan will increase opportunities

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individual student research by decreasing course loads and making it more feasible for faculty to be involved in individual research. "The idea behind the 15-to-1 plan is if you hire enough new faculty members you'll be able to add courses so that students will have more flexibility." Morello said. "New faculty will not only add courses but also be

able to provide the opportunity for folks to take a group of independent studies and consider them as a course rather than teaching a course."

The 54-million plan is to be underwritten by future tuition increases and state allocations. Without state assistance, tuition was estimated to increase has 35 secrent for

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However, according to Rick Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer, with state allowances these numbers will vary, but because state support is never executive. consistent, it is difficult to estimate what consistent, it is ufficult to estimate what future tuition increases will look like. "What many people don't understand is that the University only receives 50 cents from the state for every dollar of raise

every dollar of raise authorized," Hurley said. "The rest must come from tuition."

Thirte e n departments will receive additional faculty this fall. Modern foreign language will receive. language will receive two new faculty two new faculty members, one teaching Spanish and the other teaching French and Arabic. Other departments hiring new faculty include business administration;

ad ministration; chemistry; economics; English, linguistics and speech; environmental science and geology; geography, historic preservation; math; psychology, sociology and anthropology; and political science.

To decide which departments went first

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Charter University Bill Could Free Up State Funds

UMW Could Benefit From Surplus Funds If Larger Schools Sign On

By STACY HORNE Staff Writer

The Virginia Senate and House of Delegates have each passed a bill giving Virginia's public colleges and universities more freedom from bureaucratic red tape

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Initiated by the University of Virginia,
Virginia Tech, and the College of William &
Mary, the development of charter
universities takes some of the state
governmental controls and gives them back to the schools. In exchange, those schools will give up as much as 10 percent of future

state appropriations.

According to Virginia Tech president Charles W. Steger, the legislation requires that schools will remain state agencies. He said no school will be required to become a charter school; those that choose to do so will be required to submit a six-year plan to the state which outlines enrollment and academic and financial plans.

"Additionally, the Board of Visitors of these Charter schools would be appointed by and be accountable to the Governor of Virginia, just as they are today," Steger said. Steger also said that colleges will have the ability to invest all tuition, fees and other generated money and give it back to the school instead of having the state take that funding and dole it out as they see fit. State Senator Thomas Norment (R-

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Cardinals Plucked

Freshman Chase Townsend hurls the ball over the plate during Saturday's doubleheader against St. John Fisher College. UMW came behind to sweep the Cardinals After falling behind 3-0 in game one, Townsend batted in two runners before sophomore Mike Murphy had a RBI triple for the win. The Eagles captured the win in game two after junior Brandon Cole got the walk with bases



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Keefer, a member of finance committee and

the community outreach and resources executive board, said the course will tie her extracurricular activities together with

"This class would be an awesome transition to the real-world experience," said Keefer, who is considering Americorps and a career in the non-profit sector.

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The non-profit sector accounts for between five and 10 percent of GDP, according to a letter Rycroft wrote and distributed to economics majors. "Considering it's so much of GDP, it's pretty cool," said Holly Paxton, a sophomore economics major. Paxton said she wanted to take the course.

The Sunshine Lady Foundation has also financed similar courses at Davidson College and the University of Vinginia, Rycroft said Davidson, Virginia, and the University of Mary Washington are three pilot schools for the course. Rycroft pointed out that the course could be offered in departments other than economics, like political science or sociology. nce or sociology.

Ken Menkhaus, professor of political science at Davidson, taught Philanthropy and the Non-Profit Sector two years ago and is in the middle of teaching it a second time. "It's just an extraordinary learning experience for the students," Menkhaus said. "It gives them a window into the world of both grant-givers and grant-seekers that you can't otherwise get in a classroom."

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Jeff Rountree, vice president for University development, said he contacted Buffett, whom he as known for several years, about offering a ourse, when he learned about the courses that uffett financed at Davidson and the University of

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Rycroft said he hopes to have a number of outside speakers, visit the class, including Rountree.

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At Davidson, the students ended up dividing their money between money Women Transition,

YWCA program that helps homeless women find jobs; Jacob's Ladder, a job-training program for the Ladder, a job-training program for the unemployed; and a preschool teacher training

Other organizations have followed in the Other organizations have followed in the Sunshine Lady's footsteps and done similar proposals for other schools, according to Menkhaus.

"This is really the kind of idea that could grow to scale nationally," Menkhaus said.
"[Buffetts] real focus is studying all of the various angles of philanthropy and encouraging the next generation to be involved with philanthropy," Rountree said.

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This is not the first time Buffett, whose daughter Robin Haymes graduated from Mary Washington in 1988, has financially helped the University. She has donated money to the James Farmer Scholars program and to Belmont, according to Rountree. In June 2004, she donated \$2 million to the city

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Also, the Free Lance-Star reported Buffett recently donated money to finance the construction of a fitness center in Bragg Hill and to restore the roof of a church in Falmouth.

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Downloads Slow Network

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"We don't police," said Chip German, vice president for information technologies and chief information officer, said. "That kind of work is outside the mission of our department, so we wouldn't even if we had the capability or the staff to monitor everyone's computer."

Network administrators do prioritize academic network use over file-sharing and gaming though. For the last few years, network taffic, allowing faster connections to Web pages, eaglelink, blackboard, webmail and now the new Banner system.

system. File sharing also isn't blocked completely, but in the mid-afternoon to evening when traffic is high, users experience significant slowdowns in connection speed. Therefore, some network activity is restricted, but for the benefit of faster and more dependable academic usage. "We are only concerned with the function and fliciency of the network," Haynes said. "We consider snooping on student's computers to be an invasion of privacy."

The University's network and computer use policy states, "users must not make copies of or make available on the network copyrighted user-ial, unless permitted by a license." Copies of the policy can be found at the department of information technology or on the University's Web site.

As every on-campus student's ISP (internet

crevice provider), the University can also be hele accountable for copyright violations. In mer-complaints, the school as well as the student in threatened with a lawsuit.

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"These are very technical matters," Haynes said. "But basically in non-technical terms, protocols along the lines of Kazaa and Bit Torrent have been modified to bypassed the University's previous shaping methods, and have hijacked chat, e-mail, and gaming bandwidth, among others."

Contrary to popular belief (and a guest opinion column in The Bullet earlier this semester), the new Banner academic system was not the cause of this new round of shaping. According to German, file-sharing traffic allocated so much bandwidth earlier this semester that academic use was seriously interfered with.

"In fact, Banner helped us discover the problem," German said. "Local traffic got so heavy that we couldn't even communicate with the Stufford campus. Students, faculty and staff couldn't effectively use Blackboard and the student information system."

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To make matters worse, traffic from students downloading shared files outside the University clogs network flow even further.

"Essentially, every time a student shares a file, our network has to support them as another server," Hapres said. "If you're not using the application, tum it off."

Shaping network traffic and restricting file sharing bandwidth actually protects students' ability to share files as well.

"Shaping reduces our profile" Hayrles said. "The less bandwidth used, the less obvious we are to groups like the RIAA, and the less likely they are to go after students here."

This strategy appears to be working. According to Haynes, his office has received less letters since the new round of shaping began. Like the network administrators, judicial affairs doesn't search for file-sharing on studen'ts computers.

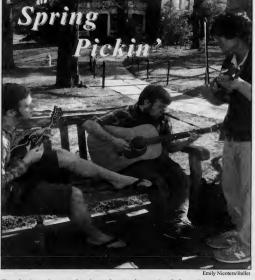
"It has to be brought to my attention." Tuttle said. "We're not spending our time searching for violators of copyright laws."

The Washington Post probably does not need new writers...

...But the next best thing always does.

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Tuesday's spring weather brought out the music: (left to right) sophomores Brett Noble and Davide Jensen were accompanied by senior Ed Dickerson for an impromptu jam session on campus walk.

Viewpoints

Editorial Take **Initiative**

Emphatic congratulations to the Living Wagers for hosting a benefit concert to raise dough for their operation.

More campus follow their example because they got off their rear end and organize an event that would create real change. The Wagers did not stoop to a level of chronic whining and finger pointing. Instead, they did what it took to get people to give them money. This sends the message to the University community that the Wagers are serious about having our staff be able to make ends meet

There is nothing more corrosive-and ineffective--than lip service. Lip service for improving the financial situation of our staff and then not following up with action would be a cruel and wasteful exercise. The Wagers have avoided the lip service pitfall thus far. A cause with money has a future, and the Wagers are working to ensure their concern does not fade out.

If students want things to change here, we must take action. Discussion is only the first step. There is an incredible amount of whining and blaming among the student population and not enaction.

American college campuses have a long and proud tradition of social activism. This spirit of activism is sorely lacking on this campus today. However, the lack of activism is not a permanent characteristic-unless we want it to be.

We are bred for action. We are young, intelligent, motivated and compassionate. There is no better equation for social activism. People do listen to our voice.

"I don't have time," is the classic excuse. Every college student could feasibly make that excuse, yet the existence of groups like Living Wage prove it be B.S.

Would you like your memories of your experience here to be limited to recollections of tests, papers, and the mindless boozing every same

Or rather would you like to look back and remember when you set more selfish concerns aside and pitched in to help a cause you believed in? You might learn something about yourself you would not learn from pounding that case of Natty in the fridge. And you might actually help someone else breathe a little easier.

Hopefully, the Wagers will find a ay to enable our staff to pay their bills, but they need your help

At the very least, you could pound Natty and then go to their concert.



Diversify Yourse

By MARTIN WILDER Guest Columnist

Last week's Bullet editorial ("Anglo U." is

Last week's Buller editorial ("Anglo U." is On Target) agreed with a recent Free Lance-Star column that proclaimed UMW the "least diverse college in America." As I pointed out in a response to the Free Lance-Star, that statement is patently untrue— and is based not on any real data but on a completely random and unscientific opinion survey conducted three years ago by the Princeton Review college guidebook. (When the same poll was repeated the following year, UMW didn't even show up on the Princeton Review's list.)

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In fact, actual enrollment data compiled annually by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) show a far

annually by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) show a far more accurate picture (available at schevedu). For instance, in 2004-2005 LUMW enrolls a higher percentage of black students (4.2 percent) than does James Madison University (3.2 percent). And act that might surprise many on our campus. And, UMW's black percentage is just slightly behind peers Virginia Tech (5.5 percent), William & Mary (6.1 percent), and the University of Virginia (7 percent). Furthermore, the University of Mary Washington outpaces some other Virginia public institutions in the enrollment of Asian and Hispanic/Latino students.

A total of 4.4 percent of UMW students are Asian, compared to Christopher Newport's 2.9 percent, Radford's 2 percent, and Longwood's 1.8 percent. Likewise UMW's enrollment is comprised of 3.5 percent Hispanic and Latino students, compared to UVA's 2.4 percent, william & Mary's 3.4 percent, and JMU's 1.9 percent.

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The point is not to suggest that UMW is doing as well as we'd like in the area of raci doing as well as we'd like in the area or racial and ethnic diversity—it's simply to demonstrate that we're not unique and that other Virginia public colleges and universities also struggle with these same issues and realities.

Our university is decidedly not satisfied with

its current enrollment, particularly that of black students. The small number of black students in our most recent freshman cl

in our most recent freshman classes is a cause of great concern to the students, faculty, staff and administration of the University. And that's why UMW is making many efforts to purposely recruit, admit, enroll and retain a wide diversity of students.

The University has a number of pro-active recruitment programs designed to

prospective students with our offerings and to encourage them to consider UMW. These range from special on-campus open house programs to targeted high school visits and

mailings.

These efforts have resulted in increased applications and, because minority applications and, because the applicants were academically competitive for UMW, increased numbers of acceptances. However, our university still struggles to convince many of these well-qualified students—especially black students—to choose us over the many other college options available to them. In many instances, students whom we admit enroll a to ther institutions that are seen as more prestigious and/or those offering very leave prehabething. more prestigious and/or those offering very large scholarships.

Unlike the Free Lance-Star editorial, which

sought to assign blame for UMW's shortcomings to one staff member, the Bullet snortcomings to one start memoer, the Butter article raises some very important questions and acknowledges that achieving greater diversity is a shared responsibility of the entire university community—including students. The Butlet editorial asks "Does the will exist to diversify the school?" And it challenges us all to "look within ourselves to see if we are willing to do what it takes for our school to reflect the ethnographic and economic makeup of Virginia."

For those of us who truly want to see positive change at our university, this is a very critical time of the year.

Right now, the admissions office is sending Right now, the admissions office is sending out its acceptances for next fall's first-year class. Approximately 400 offers of admission (about 14 percent of the total) are being mailed to students who identified themselves as members of racial or ethnic groups representing diversity at UMW.

These students have until May 1 to mak final decision and it will make a huge impact if we're able to encourage a substantial number to

If you're a student who is concerned about campus diversity and would like for the university to have more students from diverse university to have more students from diverse racial, ethnic, cultural, social and/or economic backgrounds, don't just sit and complain about the way things are—do something to help. Here are just a few suggestions for how you can personally make a difference at UMW:

Volunteer: The admissions office is holding its annual "Celebrating Cultural Diversity Weekend" April 1-2. This is an open house, for accepted, students, intended to

house for accepted students intended to encourage them to enroll at UMW. Consider

volunteering to host a prospective student for the weekend or at least come to the welcome party Friday night in the Wash Room at Woodard Campus Center. Make our guests feel special and wanted at UMW.

Spread the word: There is no better recruiter for any university than a satisfied student. If you think UMW is a pretty cool place (that would be even cooler if it had a more diverse student body), then encourage someone else to apply here. When you go home for breaks, seek out friends, relatives, neighbors, your parents' business associates, or kids at your old high school. Students of color may not old high school. Students of color may not know about UMW—unless you tell them. Come by the admissions office before you head home and we'll give you some materials to take

with you. Join something: Become part of a student of color organization—BOND, Women of Color. Asian Student Association, S.A.L.S.A., etc. You'll have fun, you'll learn something about other cultures, and you'll meet students of other races and ethnicities. You'll better understand the issues and concerns of others and you'll be a sunnort.

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learned and apply it to the real world," Keefer said. "A lot of economics is about theory and this involves action."

Keefer, a member of finance committee and

the community outreach and resources executive board, said the course will tie her extracurricular activities together

"This class would be an awesome transition to the real-world experience," said Keefer, who is considering Americorps and a carcer in the non-profit sector. The non-profit sector accounts for between five

The non-protst sector accounts for between tive and 10 percent of GDP, according to a letter Rycroft wrote and distributed to economics majors. "Considering it's so much of GDP, it's pretty cool," said Holly Paxton, a sophomore economics major. Paxton said she wanted to take the course. The Sunshine Lady Foundation has also financed similar courses at Davidson College and

Innanced similar courses at Davidson Cotiege and the University of Vingnian, Rycroft said Davidson, Virginia, and the University of Mary Washington are three pilot schools for the course. Rycroft pointed out that the course could be offered in departments other than economics, like political science or sociology.

Ken Menkhaus, professor of political science at Davidson, taught Philanthropy and the Non-Profit Sector two years ago and is in the middle of teaching it a second time. Its just an extraordinary learning experience for the students," Menkhaus said. It gives them a window into the world of both grant-givers and grant-seekers that you can't otherwise get in a

Jeff Rountree, vice president for University development, said he contacted Buffett, whom he has known for several years, about offering a course, when he learned about the courses that Buffett financed at Davidson and the University of

From there, Brad Hansen, chair of the economics department, put together a proposal with Rountree for the course and sent it to the Sunshine Lady Foundation

"I thought that we would be crazy to bypass this opportunity," Rycroft said.

The course then went to the University course

offerings committee, where it received approval.

Rountree said Phil Hall, retired vice president of with the administrative aspect of getting the co

approved.

Rycroft said he hopes to have a number of

outside speakers visit the class, including Rountree.

Rycroft also did not rule out the possibility of Buffett herself making an

Rountree said Buffett interested in seeing how the students at Mary Washington decide to allocate the money to the non-profit firms.

At Davidson, the idents ended up viding their dividing their money between Transition. YWCA

program that helps homeless women find jobs; Ja Ladder, a job-training program for unemployed; and a preschool teacher tra Jacob's

Other organizations have followed in the Sunshine Lady's footsteps and done similar proposals for other schools, according to Menkhaus. "This is really the kind of idea that could grow

"Buffett's] real focus is studying all of the various angles of philanthropy and encouraging the next generation to be involved with philanthropy," tree said.

This is not the first time Buffett, whose daughter Robin Haymes graduated from Mary Washington in 1988, has financially helped the University. She has donated money to the James Farmer Scholars program and to Belmont, according to Rountree.

In June 2004, she donated \$2 million to the city to build a Boys and Girls Club, according to The

Free Lance-Star.
Also, the Free Lance-Star reported Buffett recently donated money to finance the construction of a fitness center in Bragg Hill and to restore the roof of a church in Falmouth. "I think it's extraordinary to have support and

vision from donors like Mrs. Buffett," Rountree

Downloads Slow Network

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"appropriation and reproduction of an invention or work of another for one's own profit, without authority; infringement of the rights conferred by a patent or copyright."

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"These matters are treated like any other judicial violation, Tuttle said. "The accused student receives a letter from me explaining the charge. The student has a right to witnesses and an adviser, and also can present evidence in their defense."

If found guilty, the student is then expected to "cease and desist" the sharing of copyrighted material, and might be given community service or

material, and might be given community service or a paper assignment.
Students shouldn't be afraid of the administration tracking file-sharing on their computers, however.
"We don't police," said Chip German, vice president for information technologies and chief information officer, said. "That kind of proceedings and chief information officer, said. "That kind of proceedings are supported to the processing support of the processi technologies aid. "That kind of work is outside the mission of our department, so we wouldn't even if we had the capability or the staff to monitor everyone's computer."

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Network administrators do prioritize academic network use over file-sharing and gaming though. For the last few years, network administrators have been "shaping" network traffic, allowing faster connections to Web pages, eaglelink, blackboard, webmail and now the new Banner File sharing also isn't blocked completely, but

Fite sharing also sin 1 otocked completely, but in the mid-afternoon to evening when traffic is high, users experience significant slowdowns in connection speed. Therefore, some network activity is restricted, but for the benefit of faster and more dependable academic usage. "We are only concerned with the function and efficiency of the network." Haynes said. "We recorded response on tutlent? computers to

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consider snooping on student's computers to be an invasion of privacy."

The University's network and computer use policy states, "users must not make copies of or make available on the network copyrighted material, unless permitted by a license." Copies of the policy can be found at the department of information technology or on the University's Web view.

As every on-campus student's ISP (internet

service provider), the University can also be held accountable for copyright violations. In most complaints, the school as well as the student is ened with a lawsuit

threatened with a lawsuit.

The department of information technology recently underwent another round of "shaping" in reaction to increasingly aggressive file sharing programs that actually search one's computer for access to more bandwidth.

"These are very technical matters, ynes said. "But basicall Haynes said. "But basically in non-technical terms, protocols along the lines of Kazaa and Bit Torrent have been modified to bypassed

Torrent have been modified to bypassed the University's previous shaping methods, and have hijacked chat, e-mail, and gaming bandwidth, among others."

Contrary to popular belief (and a guest opinion column in The Buller earlier this semester), the new Banner academic system was not the cause of this new round of shaping. According to German, flle-sharing traffic allocated so much bandwidth earlier this semester that academic use was seriously interfered with. seriously interfered with

seriously interfered with.

"In fact, Banner helped us discover the problem," German said. "Local traffic got so heavy that we couldn't even communicate with the Stafford campus. Students, faculty and staff couldn't control of the staff of couldn't staff couldn effectively Blackboard and the student information system.

and the student information system. To make matters worse, traffic from students downloading shared files outside the University clogs network flow even further.

"Essentially, every time a student shares a file, our network has to support them as another server," Haypres said. "If you're not using the application, turn it off."

application, turn it off."
Shaping network traffic and restricting file sharing bandwidth actually protects students' ability to share files as well.
"Shaping reduces our profile" Hayrfes said.
"The less bandwidth used, the less obvious we

are to groups like the RIAA, and the less likely

e to groups like the KIAA, and the less likely ye are to go after students here."

This strategy appears to be working coording to Haynes, his office has received lest ters since the new round of shaping began.

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Student's computers.

"It has to be brought to my attention," Tuttle said. "We're not spending our time searching for violators of copyright laws."

The Washington Post probably does not need new writers...

...But the next best thing always does.

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Tuesday's spring weather brought out the music: (left to right) sophomores Brett Noble and Davide Jensen were accompanied by senior Ed Dickerson for an impromptu jam session on campus walk.

Viewpoints

Editorial Take **Initiative**

Emphatic congratulations to the Living Wagers for hosting a benefit concert to raise dough for their operation.

More campus groups should follow their example because they got off their rear end and organized an event that would create real The Wagers did not stoop to change. a level of chronic whining and finger pointing. Instead, they did what it took to get people to give them money. This sends the message to the University community that the Wagers are serious about having our be able to make ends meet.

There is nothing more corrosive-and ineffective--than lip service. Lip service for improving the financial situation of our staff and then not following up with action would be a cruel and wasteful exercise. Wagers have avoided the lip service pitfall thus far. A cause with money has a future, and the Wagers are working to ensure their concern does not fade out.

If students want things to change here, we must take action. Discussion is only the first step. There is an incredible amount of whining and blaming among the student population and not enough action.

American college campuses have a long and proud tradition of social activism. This spirit of activism is sorely lacking on this campus today. However, the lack of activism is not a permanent characteristic-unless we want it to be.

We are bred for action. We are young, intelligent, motivated and compassionate. There is no better equation for social activism. People do listen to our voice.

"I don't have time," is the classic excuse. Every college student could feasibly make that excuse, yet the existence of groups like Living Wage prove it be B.S

Would you like your memories of your experience here to be limited to recollections of tests, papers, and the same mindless boozing every weekend?

Or rather would you like to look back and remember a few times when you set more selfish concerns aside and pitched in to help a cause you believed in? You might learn something about yourself you would not learn from pounding that case of Natty in the fridge. And you might actually help someone else breathe a little easier.

Hopefully, the Wagers will find a way to enable our staff to pay their bills, but they need your help.

At the very least, you could pound Natty and then go to their concert.



iversify Yourse

By MARTIN WILDER Guest Columnist

eek's Bullet editorial ("Anglo U." is On Target) agreed with a recent Free Lance-Star column that proclaimed UMW the "least diverse college in America."

college in America."

As I pointed out in a response to the Free Lance-Star, that statement is patently untrue—and is based not on any real data but on a completely random and unscientific opinion survey conducted three years ago by the Princeton Review college guidebook. (When the same poll was repeated the following year, UMW didn't even show up on the Princeton Pariative lief.) Review's list.)

In fact, actual enrollment data compiled annually by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) show a far more accurate picture (available at schev.edu).

For instance, in 2004-2005 UMW enrolls a higher percentage of black students (4,2) percent) than does James Madison University (3) percent)—a fact that might surprise many on our campus. And, UMW's black percentage is just slightly behind peers Virginia Tech (5.5 percent), William & Mary (6.1 percent), and the University of Virginia (7 percent). Furthermore, the University of Mary Washington outpaces some other Virginia public institutions in the enrollment of Asian and Hispanic/Latino students.

A total of 4.4 percent of UMW students are Asian, compared to Christopher Newport's 2.9 For instance, in 2004-2005 UMW enrolls a

Asian, compared to Christopher Newport's 2.9 Asian, compared to Christopher Newport's 2.9 percent, Radford's 2 percent, and Longwood's 1.8 percent. Likewise UMW's enrollment is comprised of 3.5 percent Hispanic and Latino students, compared to UVA's 2.4 percent, William & Mary's 3.4 percent, and JMU's 1.9

The point is not to suggest that UMW is doing as well as we'd like in the area of racial doing as well as we'd like in the area of reacial and ethnic diversity—it's simply to demonstrate that we're not unique and that other Virginia public colleges and universities also struggle with these same issues and realities.

Our university is decidedly not satisfied with its convent examples.

its current enrollment, particularly that of black The small number of black students in our most recent freshman classes is a cause of

in our most recent freshman classes is a cause of great concern to the students, faculty, staff and administration of the University.

And that's why UMW is making many efforts to purposely recruit, admit, enroll and retain a wide diversity of students.

The University has a number of pro-active recruitment programs designed to acquaint

prospective state in win our other magas and to encourage them to consider UMW. These range from special on-eampus open house programs to targeted high school visits and mailings.

These efforts have resulted in increased applications and, because minority applications and, because the applicants were academically competitive for UMW, increased numbers of acceptances. However, our university still struggles to convince many of these well-qualified students—especially black students to choose us over the many other college options a to them. In many instances, students whom we admit enroll at other institutions that are seen as more prestigious and/or those offering very arge scholarships.

sought to assign blame for UMW's shortcomings to one staff member, the Bullet snortcomings to one start memoer, the Butter article raises some very important questions and acknowledges that achieving greater diversity is a shared responsibility of the entire university community—including students. The Butter editorial asks "Does the will exist to diversify the school?" And it challenges us all to flow within ourselves to see if we are willing to do within ourselves to see if we are willing to do within ourselves to see if we are willing to do what it takes for our school to radiate the what it takes for our school to reflect the ethnographic and economic makeup of

Virginia."
For those of us who truly want to see positive change at our university, this is a very critical time of the year.

Right now, the admissions office is sending out its acceptances for next fall's first-year class out its acceptances for next fall s first-year class. Approximately 400 offers of admission (about 14 percent of the total) are being mailed to students who identified themselves as members of neal or ethnic groups representing diversity at UMW.

These students have until May 1 to make a final decision and it will make a huge impact if we're able to encourage a substantial number to

If you're a student who is concerned about campus diversity and would like for the university to have more students from diverse racial, ethnic, cultural, social and/or economic backgrounds, don't just sit and complain about

backgrounds, don't just sit and complain about the way things are—do something to help. Here are just a few suggestions for how you can personally make a difference at UMW: Volunteer: The admissions office is holding its annual "Celebrating Cultural Diversity Weekend" April 1-2. This is an open house for accepted students intended to encourage them to enroll at UMW. Consider

volunteering to host a prospective student for the weekend or at least come to the welcome party Friday night in the Wash Room at Woodard Campus Center. Make our guests feel special and wanted at UMW. Spread the word: There is no better

Spread the word: There is no better recruiter for any university than a satisfied student. If you think UMW is a pretty cool place (that would be even cooler if it had a more diverse student body), then encourage someone else to apply here. When you go home for breaks, seek out friends, relatives, neighbors, your parents' business associates, or kids at your old high school. Students of color may not all high school. Students of color may not old high school. Students of color may not know about UMW—unless you tell them. Come by the admissions office before you head home and we'll give you some materials to take

Join something: Become part of a student of color organization—BOND, Women of Color, Asian Student Association, S.A.L.S.A., etc. You'll have fun, you'll learn something about other cultures, and you'll meet students of other races and ethnicities. You'll better understand the issues and concerns of others and you'll be a sunnor you'll be a support

Go to something: We have lots of great Go to sometining: We have iots or great events on this earnpus. The Cultural Awareness Series and the James Farmer memorial lectures in human rights bring world-renowned authors and speakers to UMW. Black History Month, Asian Culture Week, Hispanie Heritage Month offer many outstanding programs.

Yet far too often, events are attended almost exclusively by students of color. Make the effort to find out what's going on around you and take the time to go—show your support and interest and learn about something new and

Get engaged: Take a class that's outside Get engaged: Take a class trans outstand your comfort zone—not just because it's required, but because you care. Use your educational opportunities to gain better understanding of the history and dynamies of race and class struggles and to learn more about the strunge.

Robert F. Kennedy said: "There are those who look at things the way they are, and ask why... I dream of things that never were, and ask

For those who dream of a more diverse university, this is a time for action—don't simply deery our eurrent situation—pitch in and do something positive to make things better.

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Features

By KATHLEEN COLDUVELL Staff Writer

At the end of the day last Saturday, senior Kristen Behrens found herself in the emergency room at the Mary Washington emergency room at the Mary Washingte Hospital.

As she reached for a flag at the annument of the property of t

As she reached for a flag at the annual powder puff football tournament, she was tackled. A girl landed on top of her arm, shattering it in five places. Later, she underwent surgery to put pins in her arm and set the cast.

"Yes, it was worth it," Behrens said. "I am a senior and I was out on the field with some of my best frends having a great time. It stinks to get injured but at the end of the day at least I have some sweet battle scars and

stunks to get injured but at the end of the day at least I have some sweet battle scars and most importantly, we won!"

After her surgery was completed her teanmates from the Commuting Student Association and their coach, senior Brett Druger, were in the waiting room ready to tell

Powder puff is in its fourth year at the University of Mary Washington. This year, there were 14 teams with an average of 15 to 20 girls per team

'It was a very long day but people were there throughout the entire event supporting their dorm, their friends, or just to watch," said Tessa Merna, association of residence

halls president.

The champions of the entire event were the

According to Druger, they played the last

According to Druger, they payed the isas game in honor of Behrens.

"We changed our name to Team Kristen, and played as hard as we could for her," Druger said. "We had some other injuries besides hers like a bloody mouth, rolled ankle and beatain knee. We don't mess around. It and beat-up knee. We don't mess around. It

was a tough battle with an amazing victory."

After their win, Druger was given an award

After their win, Druger was given an award for his coaching ability, the performance of the team and his interactions with the girls.
"I owe everything to my girls," Druger said, "They were awesome. All I did was give them a few points and screamed a lot. Now I can rub it in the faces of my friends who say I leave greatly about sender."

thow nothing about sports."

The association of residence halls awarded two MVPs of the games. Seniors Betsy Pitti and Laura Hanks received the awards.

"It was really cool that Betsy and I both won MVP because we both went to Monticello High School in Charlottesville and we played powder puff together there," Hanks

The most exciting part of the day for Hanks and Pitti was the championship game against the Russell/Mercer team.

After the kick-off and working their

way down the field, the commuters were at about the 20-yard line with six seconds left. Hanks threw a "hail Mary pass" to Pitti who came out of no where to make

"It was a really sweet play." Hanks said. "All of our friends were there and rushed the field and poured water all over us. The energy was really high. It was just a really fun day."

"We were so became

us. The energy was really high. It was just a really fun day."

"We were so happy to be there and ready to take it all," Pitti said. "The other team was really good and put up a great fight. Winning it in the last few seconds of the game made it really exciting—it was a battle to the end."

Referce and SGA president, junior Frank Puleo, was amused by the attitudes of the women throughout the day.

"When we started the games they were mean, nasty and just plain scary," Puleo said. "But as soon as the games were over they were back to being girls, who talked about plans luter, nails, hair and boys. It was fun to watch it happen."

Puleo agreed with the MVPs that the championship game was the best of the entire day. "It made my top 10," he said.
Freshman Adam Holofeener, who coached the Jefferson Hall team, was impressed with to only the teams but the student turnout for the games.

"There are few events that bring that many."

"There are few events that bring that many UMW students together and we have found something that works," he said.
Holofcener also helped set up the sound equipment for the deejay and was on the food committee.

"We got very lucky with the beautiful weather that we had and I think that helped to make the event on of the most popular events of the year," Holofener said.
He said he would like to see more powder puff games throughout the year.
After a long day of football, music, food

and raffle prizes, Mema kicked oaus in use ARH office and went over the day's events.
"Overall everything went very well," she said. "Everyone there had a great time and there was an absolutely great turnout of fans and supporters for the girls."



Hayley Amey

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Annual Powder Puff Football Tournament

The association of residence halls kicked off games in Jefferson Square last Saturday. The Commuting Student Association's team was the champion. The Russell/Mercer team took second place.





Senior Kelly Timmerman was selected to play her flute with a 55-member ensemble at the Lincoln Center in New York City last February.

Noteworthy Flutist

By ERIN ROURKE

Most musicians only dream of performing in New York City's Lincoln Center.

On Feb. 25, that dream becam

On Feb. 25, that dream became a reality for University of Mary Washington senior Kelly Timmerman.
The flute player performed with the National Small College Intercollegiate Band, an exclusive 55-member ensemble.

Timmerman, a music and historic preservation major, enjoyed the experience of playing in such a well-known place, especially with a select

group.
"Everyone else that was there was amazing," she said. "It was very cool to play with them."

play with them."
The quality of the group also impressed the directors in the audience, including Craig Naylor, assistant professor of music, who attended the conference with Timmerman.
"People who have been in the organization a lot longer than I said that this was the best small college band they'd ever heard," Naylor said.

began on Feb. 23. After a day-long train began on Feb. 23. Atter a day-long train ride from Fredericksburg, the Charlottesville native auditioned in the hotel to determine her concert seating. She found that playing instruments in the rooms was difficult.

"We didn't have music stands, so we

"We didn't have music stands, so we had to put the music on the table that was in the hotel room," she said. "I think it went badly for everyone."

After seating auditions, the group met for a day and a half of practices in the rehearsal room at Carnegie Hall.

The band performed three pieces The band performed three pieces:
Bach's "Fantsia in G," Shostakovich's
"Fifth Symphony" and a special
arrangement of The Beatles'
"Blackbird," by jazz pianist Shelly Berg.
However, the students did not see the
music until the first rehearsal.
"You hatch be read existly reading."

music until the first rehearsal.
"You had to be good at sight-reading
and getting through everything
immediately," Timmerman said. "It was
good, but difficult."

Larry Livingston, the dean of the
Thornton School of Music at the
University of Southern California
directed the band.

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To McDonald's triple-thick milkshakes.



To post-spring break sunburn peeling.



To your mom.



To the end of Girl Scout cookie season.

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Food For Thought

By MARY DAVID

Collecting aluminum cans and cleaning scrapmetals, University of Mary Washington sociology student Diane Ritchie was willing to do anything to make ends meet.

"There were times when I had \$20 a week to spend on groories," Ritchie said.

"My kids for would eat toast for breakfast and toast for lunch and rice for dinner. And that's all [there] was."

Those years of hardship behind her, Ritchie nted to do something to help other families in

Ritchie sponsored a food drive from March 8 to 22 in memory of William I 22 in memory of William Hanson, associate professor and past chair of the sociology and anthropology department.

professor and past chair of the sociology and anthropology department.

Hanson taught at the University for 24 years and died late January of a rare lung disease.

Ritchie said the food drive was successful. "The boxes have been overflowing with donations," Ritchie said, "I would say the food drive raised] close to 200 pounds of food."

Ritchie mainly wanted to hold the food drive was because of her own personal struggles with hunger.

"She spent a lot of the money for groceries on drinking [while] my brother and I were left with nothing to eat."

Ritchie battled hunger again when her husband was diagnosed with Chrohn's disease, and all of her family's income went towards paying medical bills. She could not provide her children

with nutritional essentials.

"There was no room for fresh fruit or fresh vegetables. My oldest son was allergic to dairy products and I couldn't afford soy milk or anything like that," she said. "As a parent in makes you feel really bad, because you're not able to give your kids the most basic things."

Ritchie sponsored the food drive because under as a significant problem and said she thought Hanson would have liked the idea.
"I'm sure he would have been very happy with it," Ritchie said. "He seemed to be someone who motivated a lot of people to get involved."

Assistant professor of sociology Alejandro Cervantes-Carson agreed.
"Instead of just talking about issues, [Hanson] would invite students to imagine ways in which

would invite students to imagine ways in which they could affect society positively," Cervantes-

Although Ritchie was not one of Hanson's students, she was inspired to hold the food drive in his name by the outpouring of emotion from fellow students following his death.

"Some of my classmates were very touched by him," she said. "Since I had experienced hunger and [so had] my children, it made sense for me to combine the two and do something to benefit the food bank and do something that Hanson supported generous!v." apported generously."

Ritchie said having a food drive at this time of

Ritche said having a food drive at this time of year is especially crucial.
"Children are going to be out soon for summer vacations, so they won't have the school lunch and breakfast program to look to as the main staple for the day," she explained. "Programs like this are very important for the community."



For the past two weeks, University students donated food to benefit the Fredericksburg Area Food Bank.

Sophomore sociology major Eric Reingold thought the food drive was a good way to make students appreciate what they have and think about those who are less fortunate. "It spreads about those who are less fortunate. "It spreads awareness of how much food we actually waste

everyday."

Ritchie said students' donations will go a long families have very few

options.

"I know firsthand that a lot of people slip through the cracks," she said. "They can't qualify through the cracks," she said. "They can't get anything from for food stamps and they can't get anything from social services. They need something to fall back

Ritchie hopes the food drive benefited the

"I hope that [students] in the sociology department had a chance to feel like they've done omething good in [Hanson's] name and to pull-tomething positive out of a tragedy."

Fredericksburg Area Food Bank 1327 Alum Spring Road Contact: (540) 371-7666

History Forum Digs Up Past On Local Slavery

By ANDREA CHRISTIE Staff Writer

On the night of August 30, 1800, Gabriel, a slave from Virginia, gathered an army of 10,000 men with the intent to launch an attack on slave holders, free slaves, and then move on to Richmond to kidnap James Monroe, then-governor of Virginia.

His plan fell through.

Monroe learned of the attack and Gabriel and his men were arrested. Gabriel would later elude capture before he was eaught and sentenced to death.

Dr. Haskel Bingham, a descendant of Gabriel, was one the presenters last Thursday at the academic and community forum sponsored by the history and American studies department to explore the historical and cultural memory of slave

cultural memory of slave resistance throughout

resistance throughout Virginia.

Bingham took the podium to discuss the life of Gabriel and the

discrepancies between how historians remember his life.
Today, in Richmond, memorials throughout the town tell the story of Gabriel, but describe

Gabriel, but describe him as a rebel. "He was fighting for the same cause as the American Revolution," Bingham said. "And yet he was a rebel and the soldiers were patriots."

he was a rebel and the soldiers were patrols."

Bingham fought with city council to change the word from "rebel" to "slave patriot" and "freedom fighter."

Finally, after years of struggle, on Oct. 10, 2000, the city council agreed to change the wording.

"It took a long time to get them to change it," Gabriel was a Virginia slave who tried to

"It took a long time to get them to change it," Binghamsaid. Bingham continued on to tell the story of Gabriel's childhood, growing up learning to read and write and playing with his master's son, even though it was against the laws of the time.

Other presenters included Tom Costa, historian and creator of the Web site, "The Geography of Slavery in Virginia"; and Ruth Fitzgerald, author of "A Different Story a Black History of Fredericksburg, Stafford, and Spotsylvania."

After Bingham's discussion of Gabriel's life, Costa began his discussion of the importance of how history is remembered.

is remembered.

"I have a big problem with how history is remembered," Costa said. "The big white heroes like Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe and George Washington get all the press and monuments when African-American and enslaved persons' graves aren't even marked."

With his concern for historical preservation, Costa created a Web site, vedh.virginia.edu/gos, to compile historical documents.

storical documents.

Last to speak was Fitzgerald, who gave a brief rerview of the local history of slavery.

She emphasized the fact that slaves were valued for

their quality.

"What's a valuable car today? Rolls-Royce?"
Fitzgerald asked. "A young slave, who was a hard worker, was valued like an expensive car, whereas someone my age, well I'd be worth a Ford."

When the three speakers were finished, James Spady, professor of history and American studies invited audience members to ask questions.

After a question from an audience member about how historians follow history, Bingham quickly responded:

responded:
"Follow oral history," Bingham said. "Then trace it and verify it all the time."

In fact, Bingham, himself has a tradition in his

session, introduced Tiam Wilkerson, a reporter from the Richmond

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Features

By KATHLEEN COLDUVELL

At the end of the day last Saturday, senior Kristen Behrens found herself in the emergency room at the Mary Washington Hospital.

As she reached for a flag at the annual

powder puff football tournament, she was tackled. A girl landed on top of her arm, shattering it in five places. Later, she underwent surgery to put pins in her arm and

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"Yes, it was worth it," Behrens said. "I am a senior and I was out on the field with some of my best friends having a great time. It stinks to get injured but at the end of the day

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After her surgery was completed her teammates from the Commuting Student Association and their coach, senior Brett Druger, were in the waiting room ready to tell her all about the game.

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Powder puff is in its fourth year at the
University of Mary Washington. This year,
there were 14 teams with an average of 15 to
20 girls per team.

"It was a very long day but people were

there throughout the entire event supporting their dorm, their friends, or just to watch," said Tessa Mcrna, association of residence

halls president.

The champions of the entire event were the

Commuters.

According to Druger, they played the last

game in honor of Behrens.

"We changed our name to Team Kristen, and played as hard as we could for her," Druger said. "We had some other injuries besides hers like a bloody mouth, rolled ankle and beat-up knee. We don't mess around, It was a tough battle with an amazing victory.

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After their win, Druger was given an award
for his coaching ability, the performance of
the team and his interactions with the girls.

"I owe everything to my girls." Druger
said. "They were awesome. All I did was give
them a few points and screamed a lot. Now I
can rub it in the faces of my friends who say I

know nothing about sports."

The association of residence halls awarded two MVPs of the games. Seniors Betsy Pitti and Laura Hanks received the awards. won MVP because we both went to Monticello High School in Charlottesville and we played powder puff together there," Hanks

said.

The most exciting part of the day for Hanks and Pitti was the championship game against the Russell/Mercer team.

After the kick-off and working their way down the field, the commuters were

at about the 20-yard line with six seconds left. Hanks threw a "hail Mary pass" to Pitti who came out of no where to make the catch.

"It was a really sweet play," Hanks said. "All of our friends were there and

said. "All of our friends were there and rushed the field and poured water all over us. The energy was really high. It was just a really fun day."

"We were so happy to be there and ready to take it all," Pitti said. "The other team was really good and put up a great fight. Winnig it in the last few seconds of the game made it really exciting—it was a battle to the end."

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Puleo agreed with the MVPs that the championship game was the best of the entire day, "It made my top 10," he said.

Freshman Adam Holofcener, who coached he lefferen Hall team was impressed with

the Jefferson Hall team, was impressed with not only the teams but the student turnout for the games.

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"There are few events that bring that many UMW students together and we have found something that works," he said.
Holofcener also helped set up the sound equipment for the deejay and was on the food committee.

"We got very lucky with the beautiful weather that we had and I think that helped to make the event on of the most popular events of the year." Holoffener said. of the year," Holofener said. He said he would like to see more powder

ff games throughout the year.

After a long day of football, music, food

and raffle prizes, Merna kicked back in the

ARH office and went over the day's events.
"Overall everything went very well," she said. "Everyone there had a great time and there was an absolutely great turnout of fans and supporters for the girls."



Photos by Hayley Amey

Annual Powder Puff Football Tournament

The association of residence halls kicked off games in Jefferson Square last Saturday. The Commuting Student Association's team was the champion. The Russell/Mercer team took second place.





Senior Kelly Timmerman was selected to play her flute with a 55-member ensemble at the Lincoln Center in New York City last February.

Noteworthy Flutist Timmerman's New York experience

By ERIN ROURKE

Most musicians only dream of performing in New York City's Lincoln

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On Feb. 25, that dream occame a reality for University of Mary Washington senior Kelly Timmerman.
The flute player performed with the National Small College Intercollegiate Band, an exclusive 55-member ensemble.

Timmerman, a music and historic preservation major, enjoyed the experience of playing in such a well-known place, especially with a select

known place, especially group.

"Everyone else that was there was amazing," she said. "It was very cool to play with them."

The quality of the group also impressed the directors in the audience, including Craig Naylor, assistant professor of music, who attended the conference with Timmerman.

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"People who have been in the organization a lot longer than I said that this was the best small college band they'd ever heard," Naylor said. Timmerman's New York experience began on Feb. 23. After a day-long train ride from Fredericksburg, the Charlottesville native auditioned in the hotel to determine her concert seating. She found that playing instruments in the rooms was difficult. "We didn't have music stands, so we

we didn't have music stands, so we had to put the music on the table that was in the hotel room," she said. "I think it went badly for everyone." After seating auditions, the group met for a day and a half of practices in the

rehearsal room at Carnegie Hall.

The band performed three pieces:
Bach's "Fantasia in G," Shostakovich's
"Fifth Symphony" and a special
arrangement of The Beatles'
"Blackbird," by jazz pianist Shelly Berg,
However, the students did not see the
music until the first rehearsal.

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"You had to be good at sight-reading and getting through everything immediately," Timmerman said. "It was good, but difficult."

Larry Livingston, the dean of the Thornton School of Music at the University of Southern California directed the band.

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Food For Thought

Collecting aluminum cans and cleaning scrap metals, University of Mary Washington sociology student Diane Ritchie was willing to do anything to make ends meet. "There were times when I had \$20 a week to spend on groceries," Ritchie said. "My kids for would eat toast for breakfast and toast for Junch and rice for dinner, And that's all.

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My mother was an alcoholic," Ritchie said. "She spent a lot of the money for groceries on drinking [while] my brother and I were left with nothing to eat.

Ritchie battled hunger again when her husband was diagnosed with Chrohn's disease, and all of her family's income went towards paying medical bills. She could not provide her children

with nutritional essentials.

"There was no room for fresh fruit or fresh vegetables. My oldest son was allergic to dairy products and I couldn't afford soy milk or anything like that," she said. "As a parent if makes you feel really bad, because you're not able to give your kids the most basic things."

Ritchie sponsored the food drive because hunger is a significant problem and said she thought Hanson would have liked the idea.

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"Ritchie said. "He seemed to be someone who
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Cervantes-Carson agreed.
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Although Ritchie was not one of Hanson's students, she was inspired to hold the food drive in his name by the outpouring of emotion from fellow students following his death.

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"Some of my classmates were very touched by
him," she said. "Since I had experienced hunger
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"Children are going to be out soon for summer vacations, so they won't have the school lunch and breakfast program to look to as the main staple for the day." she explained "Programs like this are very important for the community."



For the past two weeks, University students donated food to benefit the Fredericksburg Area Food Bank.

Sophomore sociology major Eric Reingold thought the food drive was a good way to make students appreciate what they have and think about those who are less fortunate. "It spreads awareness of how much food we actually waste

Ritchie said students' donations will go a long because some families have

options.

"I know firsthand that a lot of people slip through the cracks," she said. "They can't qualify for food stamps and they can't get anything from social services. They need something to fall back on." Ritchie hopes the food drive benefited the

"I hope that [students] in the sociology department had a chance to feel like they've done something good in [Hanson's] name and to pull something positive out of a tragedy."

Fredericksburg Area Food Bank 1327 Alum Spring Road Contact: (540) 371-7666

History Forum Digs Up Past On Local Slavery

By ANDREA CHRISTIE Staff Writer

On the night of August 30, 1800, Gabriel, a slave On the might of August 301, 1800, dabriet, a slave from Virginia, gathered an attack on slave holders, free slaves, and then move on to Richmond to kidnap James Monroe, then-governor of Virginia.

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Bingham took the podium to discuss the life of Gabriel and the discrepancies between remember his life.

Today, in Richmond, memorials throughout the town tell the story of Gabriel, but describe

Gaoriei, our describe him as a rebel. "He was fighting for the same cause as the American Revolution," Bingham said. "And yet he was a rebel and the Bingham fought with

Bingham fought with city council to change the word from "rebel" to "slave partiot" and "freedom fighter."

Finally, after years of struggle, on Oct. 10, 2000, the city council and the property of the prope Gabriel was a Virginia slave who tried to lead a rebellion against James Monroe.

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Bingham continued on to tell the story of Gabriel's childhood, growing up learning to read and write and playing with his master's son, even though it was against the laws of the time.

Other presenters included Tom Costa, historian and creator of the Web site, "The Geography of Slavery in Virginia"; and Ruth Fitzgerald, author of "A Different Story: a Black History of Fredericksburg, Stafford, and Spotsylvania."

After Bingham's discussion of Gabriel's life, Costa began his discussion of the importance of how history is remembered.

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"I have a big problem with how history is remembered," Costa said. "The big white heroes like remembered," Costa said. "The big white heroes like Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe and George Washington get all the press and monuments when African-American and enslaved persons' graves aren't even marked."

With his concern for historical preservation, Costa

created a Web site, vcdh.virginia.edu/gos, to compile historical documents.

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Last to speak was Fitzgerald, who gave a briefverview of the local history of slavery.

She emphasized the fact that slaves were valued for

their quality.
"What's a valuable car today? Rolls-Royce?"
Fitzgerald asked "A young slave, who was a hard worker, was valued like an expensive car, whereas someone my age, well I'd be worth a Ford."
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Scene

Barefoot Greens Dishes Up Fresh Deep Sea Curiosities

First Person

By KEVIN BUTLER Staff Writer

small restaurant and market offering fresh seafood in historic seafood in historic downtown Fredericksburg, on the banks of the Rappahannock River. Fisherman's decor dress the walls, creating an unusually quaint atmosphere. However, the casual ambiance and relaxing environment belies the quality of food at Barefoot Greens.

Barefoot Greens.

Although some may find the restaurant as a bit of a dive, we found the decor interesting and almost rustic. It is the freshness and quality of the seafood that makes the place better than just your average seafood restaurant. And while the fisherman's nets hanging from the walls and the other random fishing boat things don't exactly make you feel like you are in the middle of the high seas, they do add some character to the building. Even the bathrooms are painted blue to make you feel like you are under water.

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My diming partner Erin and I felt this was the perfect place to enjoy a relaxing lunch on a beautiful sunny Saturday affernoon. It took us some time to decide on what to eat. Although the menu was simple-offering sandwiches, soups and an array of different seafood ranging from fried caffish to Alaskan snow crab legs and even hush puppies—it was difficult to decide what to pick. Eventually Erin settled on the fried soft shell crab sandwich. Unfortunately for her, neither one of us had ever eaten a softshell crab before.



Staff

For those readers who are also unaware, the entire crab is fried and then served whole which can be a bit intimidating for first-timers. As the crab gazed back at her from its bun, nestled in a bed of lettuce, Erin was hesitant to make the first

Barefoot Greens is located in downtown Fredericksburg

bed of lettuce, Erin was hesitant to make the first move. "Do I eat all of it? This looks like a claw."

We tried to reason it out. It was called a soft shell crab, so it would probably be all right to eat the whole thing. Eventually, Erin's fear of choking on it got the best of her, and-after much deliberation--she decided it would be best to ask

deliberation—she decided it would be best to ask our server, who is also the owner of the restaurant. She was both helpful and funny.

"Just slap it on there and eat it," she said following with: "Why did you order something if you didn't know what it was?"

In Erin's defense, it could have happened to anyone. As it turned out, she enjoyed her sandwich immensely noting that the legs were the best part and she would not hesitate to order another softshell crab again.

again.

I was more fortunate in my selections, choosing the soup du jour, which was an excellent clam chowder. Wanting to get a broader range of what Barefoot Greens has to offer, I also ordered the fried crab cake sandwich. fried crab cake sandwich.
Cooked to perfection, the
crab cake was on par with
the quality of some of the
finer restaurants in
Fredericksburg.

The main selling point at Barefoot Greens is that everything is fresh. There is fresh cocktail sauce as well as a vinegar-based crab dipping sauce at every table. In addition to the restaurant, sauce at every table. In addition to the restauran there is also a small market located in the same building where you can purchase the same quality seafood the restaurant serves at market prices.

All in all, the food was

excellent at Barefoot Greens and the service was helpful and hospitable as well. The only negative thing was that the soda machines were temporarily out of service; however, they offer a wide assortment of beers on tap covering all of the necessities for enjoying seaford and beer on Reviews for enjoying seafood and beer on a sunny afternoon in downtown Fredericksburg

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"Two" Rings Cliche

By LESLEY JOHNSON Staff Writer

Six months after the horrifying events caused by Samara in "The Ring." Rachel Keller (Naomi Watts) and son Aidan (David Dorfman) decide to relocate to Astoria, Ore. in "The Ring Two." However, little do they know that Samara (Daveigh Chase and Kelly Stables) lurked in the shadows.

Rachel takes a job working for the Astoria Gazette. Over the newswire, she hears of a homicide that rings a bell of ghostly familiarity.

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Instead of moving again, she decides to investigate. As she tampers with the crime scene, she notices an unmarked videotape that is all too memorable. In a fit of rage, Rachel grabs the tape, drives to the middle of nowhere, and runs out into the woods. Here, she happens to stumble across a random tin barrel where she proceeds to pour an entire gallon of gasoline onto the videotape and strikes a match.

One would think that would be enough to stop Samaria's evil ways, but Samara is not that easily fooled.

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Rachel heads to her humble abode with a feeling of satisfaction after fulfilling her good deed for the day, only to find that Samara took a short cut and beat Rachel home. This time the killings are personal. The cameras follow Samara in search of making Rachel her mother; instead of the first movie, which focused on the unfortunate souls that watched her homemade movie and shortly after received that dreadful phone call whispering, "seven days."

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Samara now incorporates het ability to possess people and animals as she terrorizes the lives of Rachel and Aidan. One of the more absurd scenes involved Rachel and Aidan. One of the more absurd scenes involved Rachel and Adian's ride back from the carnival they attended. Granted, one might be scared of hitting a single deer on the road, but when 30 deer (apparently possessed by Samara) ambush your car, shatter all of your windows, and then tilt their heads and stare at you, it is only suiting that the audience laughed in amusement more than they shrieked in fear. "You call that scary? Pshh...I'm more afraid of the squirrels on campus jumping out of a trash can and attacking me," senior Beth Wingard said.

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The movie's plot creates cliche after cliche and unfolds routine Hollywood horror secnes as Rachel battles it out with Samara. scenes as Raciel battles it out with Samara. Enjoyers of the first movie are sure to find disappointment with the sequel; after all, you can only visit the well so many times before drowning the audience in boredom and predictability.



Senior Art Show Produces" Pastels

By TAYLOR HEMPELMAN Staff Writer

"Fresh Produce," a senior art exhibition that was open March 11 to March 20 in the duPont Gallery, open materia it of materia and me duront oainery, took a dramatic look at whinnsy and structure in society through a vast array of mediums. The show took from the entire spectrum of pastel colors to create a spring-like feeling inside the gallery. The exhibition featured four Mary Washington seniors: Autumn Arrowood, Lauren Balkus, Erin Colligan and Kristin Machado; and a display of their works.

Arrowood used pastel colors that fed into the

theme of the show with her cotton batik pieces. According to her artist statement, those pieces were based on "images derived from nature to create subtle and whimiscal environments." Her piece "Disclosure" grabbed the attention of everyone who walked into the gallery immediately. The piece looked at putting both a private event and space into a very public setting. It is a drain built into the middle of the room, with very private sounds echoing around the room.

Arrowood said that she attempts to make the viewer aware that he or she "could be considered a

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Scene

Barefoot Greens Dishes Up Fresh Deep Sea Curiosities

First Person

By KEVIN BUTLER Staff Writer

Barefoot Greens is a small restaurant and market offering fresh seafood in historic downtown Fredericksburg, on the banks of the Rappahannock River. Fisherman's decor dress the walls, creating an unusually quaint atmosphere. However, the castial ambiance and relaxing environment. Barefoot Greens is casual ambiance relaxing environment environment belies the quality of food at

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Although some may find the restaurant as a bit of a dive, we found the decor interesting and almost rustic. It is the freshness and quality of the

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make you teel like you are in the middle of the high seas, they do add some character to the building. Even the bathrooms are painted blue to make you feel like you are under water.

My dinning partner Erin and I felt this was the perfect place to enjoy a relaxing lunch on a beautiful sunny Saturday affernoon. It took us some time to decide on what to eat. Although the some time to decide on what to eat. Aimough the menu was simple—offering sandwiches, soups and an array of different seafood ranging from fried carlish to Alaskan snow crab legs and even hush puppies—it was difficult to decide what to pick. Eventually Erin settled on the fried soft shell crab sandwich. Unfortunately for her, neither one of us band some can only the difference of the band state. had ever eaten a softshell crab before





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For those readers who are also unaware, the entire crab is fried and then served whole which can be a bit intimidating for first-timers. As the crab gazed back at her from its bun, nestled in a

Barefoot Greens is located in downtown Fredericksburg.

crab gazed back at her from its bun, nestled in a bed of lettuce. Erin was hesitant to make the first move. "Do I cat all of it? This looks like a claw."

We tried to reason it out. It was called a soft shell crab, so it would probably be all right to eat the whole thing. Eventually, Erin's fear of choking on it got the best of her, and—after much deliberation—she decided it would be best to ask

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In Errn's defense, it could have happened to anyone. As it turned out, she enjoyed her sandwich immensely noting that the legs were the best part and she would not hesitate to order another softshell crab again.

I was more fortunate in I was more fortunate in my selections, choosing the soup du jour, which was an excellent clam chowder. Wanting to get a broader range of what Barefoot Greens has to offer, I also ordered the fried crab cake sandwich. Cooked to perfection, the crab cake was on par with the quality of some of the iner restaurants redericksburg.

The main selling point at Barefoot Greens that everything is fresh. There is fresh cocktail sauce as well as a vinegar-based crab dipping sauce at every table. In addition to the restaurant, there is also a small market located in the same building where you can purchase the same quality seafood the restaurant serves at market prices. market prices.

All in all, the food was cellent at Barefoot Greens excellent at Barefoot Greens and the service was helpful and hospitable as well. The only negative thing was that the soda machines were temporarily out of service; however, they offer a wide assortment of beers on tap covering all of the necessitics for enjoying seafood and beer on a oon in downtown Fredericksburg

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"Two" Rings Cliche

By LESLEY JOHNSON Staff Writer

Six months after the horrifying events caused by Samara in "The Ring," Rachel Keller (Naomi Watts) and son Aidan (David Dorfman) decide to relocate to Astoria, Ore. in "The Ring Two." However, little do they know that Samara (Daveigh Chase and Kelly Stables) lurked in the shadows.

Rachel takes a job working for the Astoria Gazette. Over the newswire, she hears of a homicide that rings a bell of ghostly familiarity.

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Instead of moving again, she decides to investigate. As she tampers with the crime scene, she notices an unmarked videotape that is all too memorable. In a fit of rage, Rachel grabs the tape, drives to the middle of nowhere, and runs out into the woods. Here, she happens to stumble across a random tin burrel where she proceeds to pour an entire gallon of gasoline onto the videotape and strikes a match.

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Rachel heads to her humble abode with a feeling of satisfaction after fulfilling her good deed for the day, only to find that Samara took a short cut and beat Rachel home. This time the killings are personal.

The cameras follow Samara in search of making Rachel her mother, instead of the first movie, which focused on the unfortunate souls that watched her homemade movie and shortly after received that dreadful phone call whispering, "seven

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Samara now incorporates her ability to possess people and animals as she terroizes the lives of Rachel and Aidan. One of the more absurd scenes involved Rachel and Addan's ride back from the carnival they attended. Granted, one might be scared of hitting a single deer on the road, but when 30 deer (apparently possessed by Samara) ambush your car, shatter all of your windows, and then tilt their heads and stare at you, it is only suiting that the audience laughed in amusement more than they shricked in fear. "You call that scary? Pshh...I'm more

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"You call that scary? Pshh...I'm more afraid of the squirrels on campus jumping out of a trash can and attacking me," senior Beth Wingard said.

The movie's plot creates cliche after cliche and unfolds routine Hollywood horror scenes as Rachel battles it out with Samara. Enjoyers of the first movie are sure to find disappointment with the sequel; after all, you can only visit the well so many times before drowning the audience in boredom and predictability.

Senior Art Show Produces" Pastels

By TAYLOR HEMPELMAN Staff Writer

"Fresh Produce," a senior art exhibition that was "Fresh Produce," a sentor art exhibition that was open March II to March 20 in the duPont Gallery, took a dramatic look at whimsy and structure in society through a vast array of mediums. The show took from the entire spectrum of pastel colors to, create a spring-like feeling inside the gallery. The exhibition featured four Mary Washington seniors: Autumn Arrowood, Lauren Balkus, Erin Colligar and Kristin Machado; and a display of their works

wood used pastel colors that fed into the

theme of the show with her cotton batik pieces. According to her artist statement, those pieces were based on "images derived from nature to create subtle and whimiscal environments." Her piece "Disclosure" grabbed the attention of everyone who walked into the gallery immediately. The piece looked at putting both a private event and space into a very public setting. It is a drain built into the middle of the room, with very private sounds echoing around the room.

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A bulletin boardin the Ball Hall lobby displays the Women With A Voice floor's community service hours . The special ousing option will not be available for the 2005-2006 school year.

Vomen's Interest Floor, No More

By AMANDA PESCI Staff Writer

Starting in the 2005-2006 school year, the Women with a Voice (WWAV) special interest housing option will no longer be available, according to Christine Porter, director of residence life. The decision, which was reached on Feb. 1, 2005, was sparked by the lack of interest in the program.

We've been working with all special "We've been working with air special interest housing areas all year to meet certain goals and standards with the understanding that should they not meet those goals, they would be disbanded," Porter said. "The WWAV community, which has seen declining numbers over the past few years, did not."

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These goals, according to Trina Robinson, resident director for Ball Hall, may vary for

each special interest housing program, but usually involve programming, community development and campus-wide activities.

Located on the first floor of Ball Hall, the program has 12 available spaces, 11 of which were filled this year. Junior Emily Guise, the president of the WWAV community, is one of

Guise, who has lived on the WWAV floor for two years, is unhappy not only about the removal of the program, but also with the lack of interest in women's studies on

campus.

"I am disappointed about it, but interest was slacking off because there is not a strong feminist interest or base on this campus." Guise said. "There also wasn't a lot of support or direction—I really had no idea what I was supposed to do when I took over."

According to Guise, who acts as a liaison between Residence Life and the WWAV

residents, the University's recent move to more demanding standards of the special interest housing programs are much more time-consuming than she was expecting. time-consuming than she was expecting.
"They want campus-wide programs now,"
she said. Before, it was much more low
maintenance and each person just did their
own interfloor program, which was a lot
easier to coordinate."

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The WWAV residents are each responsible for at least one program per semester, such as a movie or a discussion, according to Guise. This year they were also required to participate in two campus-wide activities, which landed them in the Vagina Monologues, as well as behind the scenes of celebrating Women's History Month through performances, lectures and film screenings. Porter said like all other special-interest housing options on campus, the WWAV program differs from regular housing in that

it involves an application and interview

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In this case, the 11 WWAV residents applied with the goal of keeping feminism alive, which according to Guise, "is hard to on a campus where there is no women's studies major." While there is not a women's studies major." While there is not a women's studies major program at the University, there is an approved women's studies special major available to students.

The spirit of feminism has not died within the close-knit WWAV community itself. According to Guise, the residents get together every other week to discuss different aspects of life, especially in relation to their affect on women. "For instance, we've talked about women's role in religion and how language today is subtly discriminatory toward women," she said.

However, the biweekly programs and discussions weren't enough to keep the WWAV floor itself alive. The Feb. I decision ousted the program, with no intentions of replacing it.

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The decision to remove the program from housing options came as a surprise, Guise said. "It was very frustrating when we got canceled because it felt like the SIH (special interest busines) committee provided no support for housing) committee provided no support for us. They just watched us do the best we could, decided it wasn't enough and just shut WWAV

norter, on the other hand, said that help always available to all special interest ing areas.

"I'm sorry she feels that way," Porter said. "But she could have come to us at any time for help."

According to Porter, the goals for the special interest housing programs were clearly set in the beginning of the year. "Each special interest housing area was informed that should these goals not be met, we would have to shut down the community," she said. "The WWAV floor is the only community that was unable to meet these goals, and consequently the only one to be removed."

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The WWAV floor allowed women with similar interests to live, discuss, and learn together, which is something that Guise will miss most next year.

"Everyone is here because they want to be. We all know each other and it's a very open community," Guise said. "I've met a lot of great people living on this floor."

New Faculty To Lower Student-Teacher Ratios

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UMW's 15-To-1 Plan May Increase Course Offerings, Interaction

the administration examined the student-tofaculty ratio in every department trying to get individual departments closer to the goal of 15-to-

"We were taking a look at places where we knew from history that there were chronic shortages of courses or the student-to-faculty ratio in that particular department was more out of whack, higher in that department than it might be in some others." Morello said.

The student to faculty ratio today is a little more than 17-to-1; however, by the end of this plan it will decrease to below 15-to-1. According to Morello, most of the schools that the University of Mary Washington compares itself to are public and private liberal arts colleges that have much lower student-faculty ratios than Mary Washington.

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"And so the logic behind the 15 to 1 plan was we were trying to improve ourselves with respect to our peers," Morello said. "Acknowledging that we can't get all the way to a very low student faculty ratio like you might find at a small liberal arts college but we can certainly do a lot better than in excess of 17-to-1."

Students are optimistic about the new program and the prospects of having increased one on one interaction with their professors.

"If the student teacher ratio is going to be smaller only good things can come of that," senior Jonathan Flores said. "You need good teachers because quality education is really

important."

Freshman Meghan Coyle agreed. "It will give
the students more time with their professors and
as a result of that they'll get a better opportunity
of getting the knowledge they need to get better
grades," Coyle said. "I think in the long run it'll
aid the students."

However, despite the plan's positive
intentions, some professors would like to see
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"In general I think it's a step in the right direction, it's showing sensitivity by the administration to both the needs of the faculty and the needs of the students," said Jason Davidson, assistant professor of political science. "But just hiring more faculty alone isn't going to make Mary Washington a better institution, they're going to have tod some other things as well."

Davidson, who teaches over 100 students peremester, suggests that the 15-to-1 plan should take a step further and reduce the number of courses professors are required to teach per semester.

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"I think that's important because I really believe that the quality of our teaching could and in fact would increase if we weren't as harried and frazzled as we often are campus wide with the current teaching loads given the pressures on us to publish," he said.

According to Dawn Bowen, associate professor of geography, the 15-to-1 plan is only helping parts of the department right now.
"As far as the geography department, sure it's enabling us to add to our physical geography ferrings but the human geography courses that we teach are not affected by this new hire," Bowen said. "We are teaching the same number of sections and same number of students in theses sections, nobody told us that we can reduce our classes at this point."

Virginia's Larger Universities **Proponents Of Charter Bill**

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Williamsburg), who sponsored the bill, says it offers accountability, flexibility and more autonomy in college governance.

While proponents of the bill praise the autonomy it can give to colleges, it may not be right for everyone. The University of Mary Washington may be one of those schools.

According to Richard Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer at Mary Washington, unlike larger institutions in the state, "UMW cannot afford to accept less funding from the state." While proponents of the bill praise

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Denis Nissim-Sabat, professor of psychology at UMW and president of the faculty senate, said the key to making this legislation feasible for a school is to have "tremendous endowments." He says that some schools feel that the state is too stringent in many areas and feel they can do more on their own. Hurley agreed.

"Any independence granted to us by the state would be beneficial provided we could afford the additional staff needed to do the work currently done for us by state agencies in Richmond," he said.

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Without those large endowments,
Hurley said the answer could be
increased tuition costs. "According to
the legislation, we could raise
additional funds through tuition
increases," he said. "But our goal has
been to keep costs for our in-state

students competitive, which means lower than most of the other institutions." Under this legislation, tuition costs at chartered universities would not be

There is a concern that some of the "Iner is a concern that some of the other colleges will be left behind," said Senate Majority Leader Walter A. Stosch (R.—Richmond) "So I think the major universities are putting forth the proposition that anybody can qualify, the there is sent of an onen door there is sort of an open door everybody can be a charter school." Stosch said he is

concerned what effect the charter legislation could have on tuition.

"The major concern that may of us are having in the legislature is what impact will that have on tuition. We are all concerned because what

concerned because what happens over time is when general fund support is reduced, tuition goes up," he said.

Proponents at William & Mary say that once the plan is fully implemented the 10 percent that the charter schools give up will create an annual fund of more than \$13 million that are the haves of the charter schools. that can then be used for other state

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The three major players: The University of Virginia, Virginia Tech, and William & Mary all feel that they can do a better job handling their money and taking charge of future projects without interference from the state. Whether or not the smaller colleges and universities can afford to do the same is yet to be seen.

Viewpoints

Understanding The War



A sign at the March 16 rally to support American troops.

These letters were written in resonse "Resist The War" (Mar. 17, 2005, *The Bullet*).

I would first like to express my discontent with the College Republicans for the lack of respect shown for the Anarchist Social Theory Club and their display. If they wish to confront the Anarchists and their beliefs, perhaps they should find more civil ways of doing so.

doing so.

That said, Patrick McGowan's March 17 column in The Bullet contained several statements and representations that I would like to challenge. First, I believe that the particular type of support the Anarchists advocate for deployed soldiers ignores the consequences of a United States withdrawal from Iran.

Though such a pullout would stop the deaths of U.S. servicemen and women in Iraq, the remaining Iraqi and coalition forces would not be able to adequately defend the existing Iraqi government against insurgent actions, making collapse of the government inevitable. The lawless state that would remain would be the lawless state that would remain would be seized by Islamic fundamentalist militants, and would pose a tremendous threat to the stability of the region.

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The Anarchists' poorly conceived advocacy betrays their selfishness, and is morally wrong, as it values the lives of U.S. servicemen over the lives of non-insurgent Iraqis and the political stability of the region. This selfishness smacks of paternalism and stands in stark contrast to the selflessness and service of most coalition soldiers, who realize

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their duty to the Iraqi people and the importance of their presence. Next, McGowan asserts that the true motives of the U.S. government in Iraq are imperialist, and that these motives are dictated by the U.S. military industrial complex. This characterization of the government is an excellent illustration of the paranoia entrenched in Anarchist beliefs.

Here, the Anarchists portray all politicians as liars and slaves to the defense industry. This is absurd. McGowan offers no evidence to support such a wild claim.

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English Is Changing. Can You Keep Up?

By ERIN LEACH-KEMON

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Vomen's Interest Floor, No More

By AMANDA PESCI

Starting in the 2005-2006 school year, the Women with a Voice (WWAV) special interest housing option will no longer be available, according to Christine Porter, director of residence life. The decision, which was reached on Feb. 1, 2005, was sparked by the lack of interest in the program.

We've been working with all special "We've been working with all special interest housing areas all year to meet certain goals and standards with the understanding that should they not meet those goals, they would be disbanded," Porter said. "The WWAV community, which has seen declining numbers over the past few years, did not."

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These goals, according to Trina Robinson, resident director for Ball Hall, may vary for

each special interest housing program, but usually involve programming, community development and campus-wide activities.

Located on the first floor of Ball Hall, the program has 12 available spaces, 11 of which were filled this year. Junior Emily Guise, the were filled this year. Junior Emily Guise president of the WWAV community, is of them.

Guise, who has lived on the WWAV floor for two years, is unhappy not only about the removal of the program, but also with the lack of interest in women's studies on

campus.

"I am disappointed about it, but interest was slacking off because there is not a strong feminist interest or base on this campus," Guise said. "There also wasn't a lot of support or direction—I really had no idea

what I was supposed to do when I took over."

According to Guise, who acts as a liaison between Residence Life and the WWAV

residents, the University's rec more demanding standards of more demanding standards of the special interest housing programs are much more time-consuming than she was expecting. "They want campus-wide programs now," she said. Before, it was much more low maintenance and each person just did their own interfloor program, which was a lot casier to coordinate."

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Porter said like all other special-interest housing options on campus, the WWAV program differs from regular housing in that

involves an application and interview cess as well as a commitment to the theme

of the housing area.

In this case, the 11 WWAV residents applied with the goal of keeping feminism alive, which according to Guise, "is hard to do on a campus where there is no women's studies tudies center or even a women's studies major." While there is not a women's studies major. "While there is not a women's studies major program at the University, there is an approved women's studies special major

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The spirit of feminism has not died within the close-knit WMAV community itself. According to Guise, the residents get together every other week to discuss different aspects of life, especially in relation to their affect on women.

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"For instance, we've talked about women's role in religion and how language today is subtly discriminatory toward women," she said.

However, the biweekly programs and discussions weren't enough to keep the WWAV floor itself alive. The Feb. I decision ousted the program, with no intentions of replacing it.

"At this time, there is no plan to put another special interest housing area in its place," Robinson said. "While the program will be removed, residents are given the option to homestead on the floor."

The decision to remove the program from housing options came as a surprise, Guise said. "It was very frustrating when we got canceled because it felt like the SHI (special interest housing) committee provided no support for housing) committee provided no support for us. They just watched us do the best we could, decided it wasn't enough and just shut WWAV

Porter, on the other hand, said that help as always available to all special interest housing areas.

"I'm sorry she feels that way," Porter said. "But she could have come to us at any time for help."

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According to Porter, the goals for the special interest housing programs were clearly set in the beginning of the year. "Each special interest housing area was informed that should these goals not be met, we would have to shut down the community," she said. "The WWAV floor is the only community that was unable to meet these goals, and consequently the only one to be

removed."

The WWAV floor allowed women with similar interests to live, discuss, and learn together, which is something that Guise will

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"Everyone is here because they want to be. We all know each other and it's a very open community," Guise said. "I've met a lot of great people living on this floor."

New Faculty To Lower Student-Teacher Ratios

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UMW's 15-To-1 Plan May Increase Course Offerings, Interaction

administration examined the student-tofaculty ratio in every department trying to get individual departments closer to the goal of 15-to-

"We were taking a look at places where we knew from history that there were chronic shortages of courses or the student-to-faculty ratio in that particular department was more out of whack, higher in that department than it might be in some others." Morello said.

The student to faculty ratio today is a little more than 17-to-1; however, by the end of this plan it will decrease to below 15-to-1. According to Morello, most of the schools that the University of Mary Washington compares itself to are public and private liberal arts colleges that have much lower student-faculty ratios than Mary have much lower student-faculty ratios than Mary Washington

Washington.

"And so the logic behind the 15 to 1 plan was we were trying to improve ourselves with respect to our peers." Morello said. "Acknowledging that we can't get all the way to a very low student faculty ratio like you might find at a small liberal arts college but we can certainly do a lot better than in excess of 17-to-1."

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Students are optimistic about the new program and the prospects of having increased one on one interaction with their professors.

"If the student teacher ratio is going to be smaller only good things can come of that," senior Jonathan Flores said. "You need good things that the programme that the programm teachers because quality education is really

Freshman Meghan Coyle agreed. "It will give Freshman Meghan Coyle agreed. "It will give the students more time with their professors and as a result of that they'll get a better opportunity of getting the knowledge they need to get better grades," Coyle said. "I think in the long run it'll aid the students." However, despite the plan's positive intentions, some professors would like to see more actions taken.

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"In general I think it's a step in the right direction, it's showing sensitivity by the administration to both the needs of the faculty and the needs of the students," said Jason Davidson, assistant professor of political science. "But just hiring more faculty alone isn't going to solve all of the problems and it isn't going to make Mary

of the problems and at isn't going to make Mary Washington a better institution, they're going to have to do some other things as well."

Davidson, who teaches over 100 students per semester, suggests that the 15-to-1 plan should take a step further and reduce the number of courses professors are required to teach per

semester.
"I think that's important because I really believe that the quality of our teaching could and in fact would increase if we weren't as harried and frazzled as we often are campus wide with the current teaching loads given the pressures on us to publish," he said.

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"As far as the geography department, sure it's enabling us to add to our physical geography offerings but the human geography courses that we teach are not affected by this new hire." Bowen said. "We are teaching the same number of sections and same number of students in theses sections, nobody told us that we can reduce our classes at this point."

Virginia's Larger Universities Proponents Of Charter Bill

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Williamsburg), who sponsored the bill, says it offers accountability, flexibility and more autonomy in college governance.

While proponents of the bill praise While proponents of the bill praise the autonomy it can give to colleges, it may not be right for everyone. The University of Mary Washington may be one of those schools. According to Richard Hurley, executive vice president and chief financial officer at Mary

financial officer at M Washington, unlike larger institutions in the state, "UMW cannot afford to accept less funding from the state."

Nissim Denis Sabat, professor of psychology at UMW and president of the faculty senate, said the

faculty senate, said the key to making this legislation feasible for a school is to have "tremendous endowments." He says that some schools feel that the state is too stringent in many areas and feel they can do more on their own. Hurley agreed

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"Any independence granted to us by the state would be beneficial provided we could afford the additional staff needed to do the work currently done for us by state agencies in Richmond," he said.

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Hurley said the answer could be
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increases," he said. "But our goal has
been to keep costs for our in-state

students competitive, which means lower than most of the other institutions.

Under this legislation, tuition costs at chartered universities would not be

There is a concern that some of the "There is a concern that some of the other colleges will be left behind," said Senate Majority Leader Walter A. Stosch (R—Richmond) "So I think the major universities are putting forth the proposition that anybody can qualify, so there is sort of an open door everybody can be a charter school." Stosch said he is

concerned what effect the charter legislation could have on tuition.

"The major concern that may of us are having in the legislature is what impact will that have on tuition. We are all concerned because what

concerned because what happens over time is when general fund support is reduced, tuition goes up," he said.

Proponents at William & Mary say that once the plan is fully implemented the 10 percent that the charter schools give up will create an annual fund of more than \$13 million. that can then be used for other state

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The three major players: The University of Virginia, Virginia Tech, and William & Mary all feel that they can do a better job handling their money and taking charge of future projects without interference from the state. Whether or not the smaller colleges and universities can afford to do the same is yet to be seen.

Viewpoints

Understanding The War



A sign at the March 16 rally to support American troops.

These letters were written in resonse "Resist The War" (Mar. 17, 2005, *The Bullet*).

I would first like to express my discontent with the College Republicans for the lack of respect shown for the Anarchist Social Theory Club and their display. If they wish to confront the Anarchists and their beliefs, perhaps they should find more Livil ways of

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Though such a pullout would stop the deaths of U.S. servicemen and women in Iraq, the remaining Iraqi and coalition forces would not be able to adequately defend the existing Iraqi government against insurgent actions making collapse of the government inevitable.
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Women's Lacrosse **Drops Close Game**

By AMANDA BURNHAM Assistant Sports Editor

The University of Mary Washington women's lacrosse team played a hard-fought game on Saturday, but ended up one goal short as they fell to visiting Washington and Lee University by a score of 7-6. With the loss, the Eagles' record drops to 5-2 on the season.

The Eagles, ranked eleventh in the nation, took an early 3-1 lead, but the eighteenth-ranked Generals responded with a 6-0 run to give them an advantage that they would never give up. With the win, Washington and Lee's record stands at 6-1. The University of Mary Washington women's lacrosse

"This was only our second really tough game of the season, the other one being against Gettysburg," junior defender Liz Russell said. "Overall, we just didn't come out

defender Liz Russell sad. "Overall, we just didn't come out playing our own game."

Freshman attacker Caitlin Erickson opened the scoring for the Eagles seven minutes into the first half. The Generals tied the score just 38 seconds later when Kate Lester scored the first of her four goals.

UMW continued to fight and regained the lead when sophomore Meaghan O'Leary scored with 18 minutes left in the half. Sophomore Jackie Rose increased the Eagles' lead to 3-1 less than two minutes later.

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Women's Lacrosse **Drops Close Game**

By AMANDA BURNHAM Assistant Sports Editor

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The Eagles, ranked eleventh in the nation, took an early 3-1 lead, but the eighteenth-ranked Generals responded with a 6-0 run to give them an advantage that they would never give up. With the win, Washington and Lee's record stands at 6-1.

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One of the best Cinderella stories of the NCAA Tournament this year has been the West Virginia Mountaineres. The boys from Morgantown barely made it past Creighton in the first round and they had the tall task of taking down second-seed Wake Forest in round two on Statzeday night.

My friends and I decided that we needed to watch the game with the local yokels and the pub down the road seemed like a good place to observe West Virginians in their native environment. They definitely did not disappoint.

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Sports

Freshman Pherson Fires No-Hitter



By LAUREN BOSTON Assistant Sports Editor

University of Mary Washington freshman Casey Pherson had nothing in common with the likes of pitching greats Nolan Ryan, David Wells and Randy Johnson. Until Monday, that is. It was during game two of the Eagles softball team's doubleheader versus Gallaudet University that Pherson pitched the first no-hitter of her college career, a feat placing herself among the elite, even if it was not on the professional level.

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"To be completely honest, nothing really crossed my mind until the game was over," she said." It was just so focused on the situations as they came that I really didn't have time to think about the possibility of a no-hitter."

Pherson's teammates did not mention anything to her about the potential for a no-hitter, which seemed to pay off for her.
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Junior Meghan Witt takes a swing during game one of the Eagles' doubleheader against Gallaudet on Monday.

Lacrosse Upsets Fifth-Ranked W&L

As the final buzzer sounded on Saturday, the University of Mary Washington men's lacrosse players rushed the field in celebration, throwing their gloves in air and hugging each other. The team looked as if it had just won a championship, but the men were actually celebrating a victory over fithranked Washington and Lee University, the highest-ranked opponent men's lacrosse has ever beaten. "It's probably the biggest win in school history," said senior Mark Fiore, who scored a pair of goals in the victory. The Generals started the scoring just more than five minutes into the first

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before halftime on what could be called lucky goals. First, with 5:51 left in the half, W&L goalkceper Chris Lalli passed the ball to a defender who fired it right back to Lalli. The goalie missed the pass, however, and junior Dave Morris fired the ball into the empty net. Then, with just less than four minutes on the clock, the ball deflected off a player's helmet and went right to junior Adam Castellani who caught the ball and shut it past Lalli to send the teams into halftime tied 3-3.

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Junior Adam Castellani takes a shot in the back from a Washington and Lee defender during the Eagles' 9-6 upset win on Saturday.

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Athlete of the Week

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